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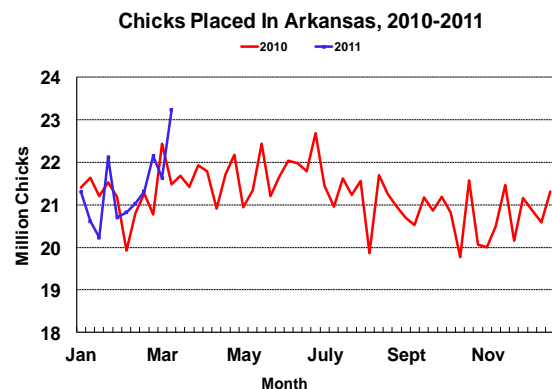
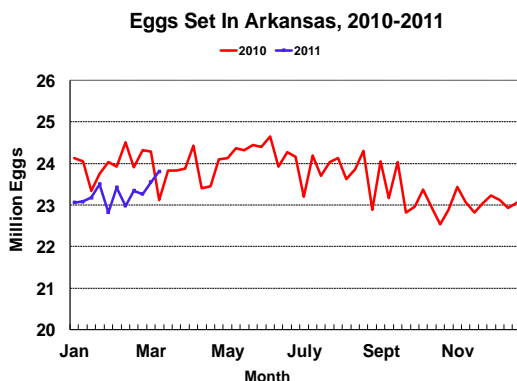


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### Arkansas Chick Placements Up 8 Percent from Last Year

Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Arkansas were 23.2 million during the week ending March 12, 2011. Placements were up 8 percent from the comparable week in 2010 and up 7 percent from the previous week.

Arkansas hatcheries set 23.8 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending March 12, 2011, up 3 percent from the same period last year and up 1 percent from the previous week.



**Broiler Eggs Set and Chicks Placed in 19 Major States by Week, February 12, 2011 - March 12, 2011**

State	Eggs Set					Chicks Placed				
	Week Ending					Week Ending				
	12-Feb	19-Feb	26-Feb	5-Mar	12-Mar	12-Feb	19-Feb	26-Feb	5-Mar	12-Mar
Alabama	30,140	30,978	29,955	29,840	29,936	20,903	21,762	21,044	21,177	21,441
<b>Arkansas</b>	<b>22,979</b>	<b>23,419</b>	<b>23,263</b>	<b>23,546</b>	<b>23,810</b>	<b>21,034</b>	<b>21,319</b>	<b>22,150</b>	<b>21,633</b>	<b>23,233</b>
Delaware	3,768	4,002	3,899	3,853	3,810	4,579	5,336	4,498	5,112	4,624
Florida	1,360	1,360	1,359	1,360	1,360	1,202	1,201	1,349	1,225	1,290
Georgia	33,436	33,653	33,090	33,447	33,291	27,205	28,083	27,285	28,329	28,724
Kentucky	7,985	8,054	7,850	7,647	7,707	6,074	6,402	6,780	5,854	6,636
Louisiana	3,395	3,379	3,409	3,440	3,409	3,014	2,991	3,021	3,081	2,997
Maryland	7,703	7,707	7,688	7,716	7,677	5,439	5,874	6,758	5,621	6,226
Mississippi	18,376	18,736	19,064	18,623	18,991	16,123	15,576	16,401	15,919	16,276
N. Carolina	19,637	19,869	19,957	19,537	19,619	15,715	15,731	15,202	15,800	16,112
Oklahoma	7,181	7,019	7,148	7,061	7,432	5,162	3,814	2,973	3,638	2,559
Pennsylvania	4,001	3,675	3,732	3,861	3,860	3,347	3,251	3,203	3,257	3,008
S. Carolina	5,579	5,610	5,566	5,566	5,678	4,805	3,885	4,852	4,050	4,152
Texas	14,241	15,097	15,351	15,728	15,347	12,682	12,033	11,915	11,778	12,343
Virginia	6,081	5,834	6,465	6,571	6,513	5,459	4,520	4,352	4,759	4,705
CA,MO,TN & WV	18,475	18,684	19,356	19,949	19,565	15,210	15,695	17,022	16,443	15,893
19 State Total	204,337	207,076	207,152	207,745	208,005	167,953	167,473	168,805	167,676	170,219
Prev. Year Total	205,734	206,981	207,365	206,494	205,506	164,631	165,886	168,299	169,058	170,165
% of Prev. Year	99	100	100	101	101	102	101	100	99	100

Revisions made to the previous five-week's data during the current week are published in this report.

### Broiler-Type Eggs Set Up 1 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 19 State weekly program set 208 million eggs in incubators during the week ending March 12, 2011. This was up 1 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 84 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

### Broiler-Type Chicks Placed Up Slightly

Broiler growers in the 19 State weekly program placed 170 million chicks for meat production during the week ending March 12, 2011. Placements were up slightly from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from January 2, 2011 through March 12, 2011 were 1.68 billion, up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.